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JAPANESE DELEGATE IN WASHINGTON

Economic And Monetary Discussions.

CONFERENCES WITH MR. HULL

Washington, To-day.
Viscount K. Ishii, Japanese delegate at the Washington conversations, Mr. Debuchi, Japanese Ambassador to Washington and Mr. Funai, Deputy-Governor of the Bank of Japan, yesterday called on the United States Secretary of State, Mr. William Cordell Hull, at the State Department.

They discussed economic and monetary questions in connection with the World Economic Conference.

Dr. Hornbeck, Chief of the Far Eastern Division of the State Department, and Mr. William Bullitt were also present.

In the afternoon, Viscount Ishii lunched with Mr. Hull and then had a private conference with President Roosevelt, after which they attended a formal dinner and reception.

Political questions were postponed indefinitely and may not be discussed at all, declared Sir Hull.

It was likely, he added, that the State Department would only treat upon subjects concerning world economics and monetary problems in its conversations with the Japanese emissary. — Reuter.

Roosevelt Sees Ishii Alone.

1 1/2-HOUR INTERVIEW AT WHITE HOUSE.

Washington, Later.

Viscount K. Ishii, the Japanese statesman, yesterday conferred alone with President Roosevelt, for 1 1/2 hours.

He declined to reveal the topic, and said that he would probably confer with the President again to-day. — Reuter.

Tariff Truce.

SAFEGUARDING CURRENCY LEVELS.

London, To-day.

Answering a Parliamentary question yesterday, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, said, that if anything unforeseen occurred in regard to currency levels during the tariff truce, the Organising Committee of the World Economic Conference would no doubt meet again to consider how to deal with the situation. — British Wireless Service.

BRITISH INDUSTRIAL ADVISERS.

London, To-day.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, President of the Council, yesterday stated in the House of Commons, that the Government were arranging for the appointment of industrial advisers to the United Kingdom delegation at the World Economic Conference, so that the delegation could consult them if the occasion required.

A list of the advisers would be given later. — British Wireless Service.

Leading Telegraphist, Edward Maxwell, of the Royal Naval Hospital, was sent to the Royal Naval Hospital yesterday evening, suffering from a heart attack, after being diagnosed as suffering from a heart attack. — Reuter.

PERU AND COLUMBIA IN AGREEMENT

Ratify Settlement Of Leticia Dispute

Geneva, To-day.

The representatives of Columbia and Peru yesterday ratified the Agreement for a settlement of the Leticia dispute.

LANGRIDGE GIVES SUSSEX FIFTH WIN

Brilliant All-Round Performance.

TATE TAKES 9 FOR 50

Derby And Essex Register Triumph

London, To-day.

James Langridge, who is now becoming England's best all rounder, took 5 Somerset wickets for 42 runs and scored a brilliant 134 not out to give Sussex their fifth win in the County Cricket Championship yesterday.

Derbyshire beat Leicestershire to record their third win, while Essex recorded a surprise win over Gloucestershire at Cheltenham. Gloucester failed both times before fast bowlers.

James Langridge only a week ago took 6 Nottingham wickets for 32 runs and scored 101 in the same match.

Results as cabled by Reuter were as follows:—

County Championship.

Essex beat Gloucestershire by 4 wickets at Cheltenham.

Gloucester: 139 (Nichols 7 for 52);

160 (A. G. Dyer 6 for 38);

Essex: 187 (Sinfeld 6 for 30) and 116 for 6.

Derbyshire beat Leicestershire by an innings and 86 runs at Chesterfield.

Derby: 322 and 107.

Leicester: 115 and 121.

Sussex beat Somersetshire by an innings and 161 runs at Hove.

Somerset: 124 (Tate 5 for 18);

95 (Tate 4 for 37, Langridge (James) 6 for 42);

Sussex: 380 for 9 dec. (Langridge (James) 134 not out). (Tables on Page 12.)

AMERICA LEAD ARGENTINE 2-0

Vines And Allison Win In Straight Sets.

DAVIS CUP ZONE FINAL

Washington, To-day.

The United States are leading the Argentine by two matches to nil in the American Zone Final of the Davis Cup competition.

Ellsworth Vines and William Allison both recorded wins in straight sets at the Chevy Chase Club.

John Van Ryn and George Lott are expected to give the United States a 3-0 triumph to-day. The formidable challengers to France's supremacy will now await the outcome of the European Zone competition, and will probably meet Great Britain, Australia or Japan to qualify for the Challenge Round.

Detailed scores as cabled by Reuter:—

Vines (U.S.A.) beat D. Zappa (A.) 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.

W. Allison (U.S.A.) beat Hector Cattaruzzi (A.) 6-2, 6-4, 6-3.

DISARMAMENT ON THE SEA

DIVERGENT VIEWS AT GENEVA

JAPAN AND FRANCE PROPOSE A NEW NAVAL TREATY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

DIVERGENT VIEWS WERE EXPRESSED IN THE GENERAL COMMISSION OF THE DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE YESTERDAY, WHEN NAVAL DISARMAMENT WAS CONSIDERED, BUT DELEGATES ALL FAVOURED A REDUCTION IN NAVAL ARMAMENTS.

The French delegate, M. Massigli, considered that qualitative Disarmament should be applied on sea as on land, and advocated a reduction in the size of capital ships to 25,000 tons, and of cruisers to 8,000 tons. The London Naval Treaty, to which France is not a party, should, he said, be revised, and there should be a general Treaty for all.

The Japanese delegate, Mr. Sato, proposed that a new naval agreement should replace the Washington and London naval treaties, and that it should be included in the future Disarmament convention.

The British delegate Captain Anthony Eden, having pointed out that Britain had not built up to the tonnage allowed her by the London Naval Treaty, said that as a result of the Washington Treaty, 1,250,000 tons of ships had been destroyed, and the way had been prepared for the further reductions made at the London Naval Conference.

At London capital ships were further reduced, and the gun calibre limited, and five cruisers which Britain had intended to build had been stopped.

Britain had reduced her total tonnage by 100,000 tons and he asked other countries to act in a similar manner.

The next naval conference was due in 1935, and should, in his view, consist not only of the big naval Powers, but should be open to all Powers interested in naval matters.

He urged that the principles agreed to by the five naval Powers be respected by every body, and that the status "Be maintained until the next Conference and that negotiations should continue so that further and important reductions might then be made."

The American delegate, Mr. Norman Davis, expressed full approval of Captain Eden's remarks.

He pointed out that the two naval Treaties had halted the naval armaments race, and he expressed a desire that the London Treaty's framework should be completed by the signatures of France and Italy.

He urged delegates to accept the Article in the British plan, by which signatories to naval treaties would remain bound by the reductions therein imposed. — British Wireless Service.

REMONETISATION

Proposal Of 16 To 1 Ratio.

SHELVED BY U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Washington, To-day.

The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives yesterday shelved the resolution requesting that the United States delegates to the World Economic Conference be instructed to support the remonetisation of silver to the ratio of 16 to one to gold.

Reuter.

MRS. A. P. LANDAU INJURED

European's Car Crashes Into Ricksha

Receiving serious injuries to the head, Mrs. A. P. Landau, of No. 42 Lockhart Road, was yesterday afternoon taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

While travelling in a ricksha, a private motor car No. 2324, driven by Mr. A. P. Bailey of the Victoria Hotel, crashed into the ricksha, causing Mrs. Landau to be thrown out of the vehicle.

The ricksha driver, Mr. Chan, was also injured, and is being treated at the same hospital.

Reuter.



Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, accompanied by Mrs. Chamberlain, leaving his London residence, Eaton Square, for the House of Commons, with the third "Economy" Budget. — (S. & G.)

QUIET IN THE NORTH

Japanese Troops Withdrawing.

EXODUS FROM PEKING CEASES

Peking, To-day.

The situation is easing on all fronts, the Japanese and Manchukuo troops withdrawing.

Tungchow is returning to normal and seven miles separate the Chinese and Japanese troops in that area.

Shops are reopening in Tungchow, while in Peking life is proceeding. The exodus of Chinese from the city has ceased. — Reuter.

TRUCE NOT SIGNED

Peking later.

The Sino-Japanese truce has not been signed. — Reuter.

Thursday's Oral Truce.

NEW BOUNDARY LINE FOR TROOPS.

Tokyo, To-day.

The Foreign Office has announced that a preliminary truce was concluded orally on Thursday by Chinese and Japanese military representatives providing that the Chinese "cease provocative actions" and remain to the South-West of a line running roughly parallel to the Railway from Kalgan through Peiping to Tientsin, and to the Eastward thereof through Tungchow, while the Japanese will remain to the North-East thereof.

A formal Armistice will be signed on May 29. — Reuter.

MAHARAJAH OF ALWAR

Abdicates His State For Two Years.

London, To-day.

Asked yesterday, in the House of Commons, whether any guarantee would be obtained from the Maharajah of Alwar before he is permitted to resume the administration of his State at the expiration of the two years, during which he has agreed to leave his State, the Secretary for India, Sir Samuel Hoare, said that "all questions of this kind would be considered by the Government before any decision was taken."

Reuter.

NEW YORK BANK RATE REDUCED

New York, To-day.

The New York Federal Reserve Bank has reduced the discount rate to 2 1/2 per cent. — Reuter.

FIVE KILLED IN RAILWAY COLLISION

Steam Train Leaps The Rails.

CRASHES INTO LONDON ELECTRIC EXPRESS

London, To-day.

Five people were killed and several injured, two seriously, when the steam train from Waterloo Station to Alton came into collision with an electric express bound for the city, yesterday afternoon.

The mishap occurred between Wimbledon and Raynes Park, on the Southern Railway, and was due to the steam train leaping the rails and crashing into the electric train on the up line.

Breakdown parties were quickly on the scene but it was some time before the injured could be extricated from the debris of the wrecked coaches, which temporarily blocked both up and down lines, causing grave dislocation of traffic. — British Wireless Service.

SILVER STEADY IN NEW YORK

General Market Rules Quiet.

NO INDICATION OF REACTION

New York, To-day.

Silver was steady though quiet on the New York market yesterday. There was some trade and foreign buying.

General business was brisk, 4,010,000 shares being dealt in. Industrial, rail, and utility averages showed a slight weakness, but bonds advanced 43 to 82.82.

Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Co., through their local correspondents, Messrs. Asia Land, Ltd., state: "The market acted as though it was tired, yet there are no indications of a general reaction."

"We would watch the list carefully to-morrow, for if the volume of trading slows on irregularity we think it will be a favourable sign. However, it is the general opinion that the market is getting somewhat close to the top levels."

— Reuter.

CLEVELAND AND WASHINGTON WIN

Rain Holds Up U.S. Baseball.

New York, To-day.

Cleveland Indians and Washington Senators returned to winning form yesterday when they overcame Boston and St. Louis Browns.

In a programme curtailed by rain, Chicago Cubs, Cincinnati Reds, and Philadelphia Athletics emerged victorious.

Results as cabled by Reuter:—

National League

Boston 0 2 3

Malone pitched

Chicago 3 7 1

Brooklyn 1 7 1

Cincinnati 4 10 0

American League

Cleveland 3 7 1

Detroit 2 7 2

McManus hit a homer.

Philadelphia 4 12 0

Blethen, Coleman and Higgins hit homers in a 12-inning game.

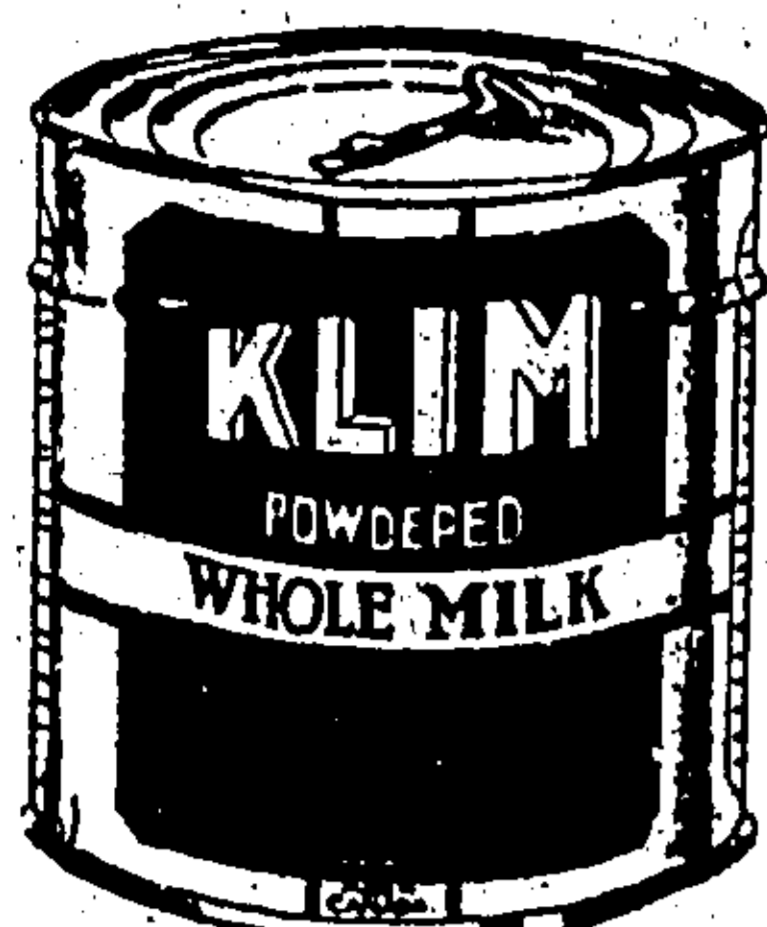
St. Louis 6 6 3

Washington 3 6 3

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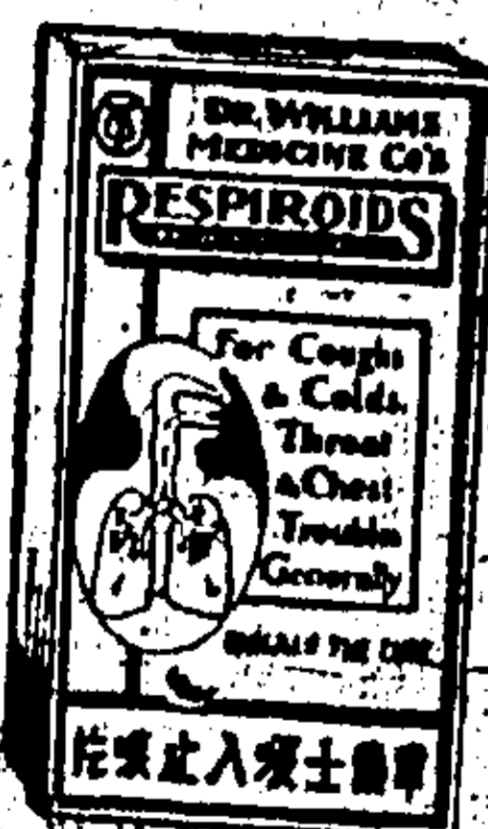
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Eliminating The
Hard Line.

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about the sports suit. Even those
of us who do nothing more stren-
uous out-of-doors than take a brisk
walk are immediately attracted by
clothes which bear the sports' la-
bel, and the useful little suits and
ensembles which Paris has pre-
pared this year for "le sport" may
well be considered for a host of
other occasions. The sports suit,
in fact, has become as useful as
the little frock, and is now being
developed along lines which make
it an indispensable item of the
busy woman's wardrobe.

The two-coat suit is the newest
version of it. You are offered a
smartly-cut wrap-over skirt, a jack-
et on modified Norfolk lines—
often moulded to the figure and
held at the waist with a belt—and
an overcoat cut in sac style.

For wear with the skirt there is
a variety of blouses, waist-coat-
fronts, jerseys, and pull-overs.

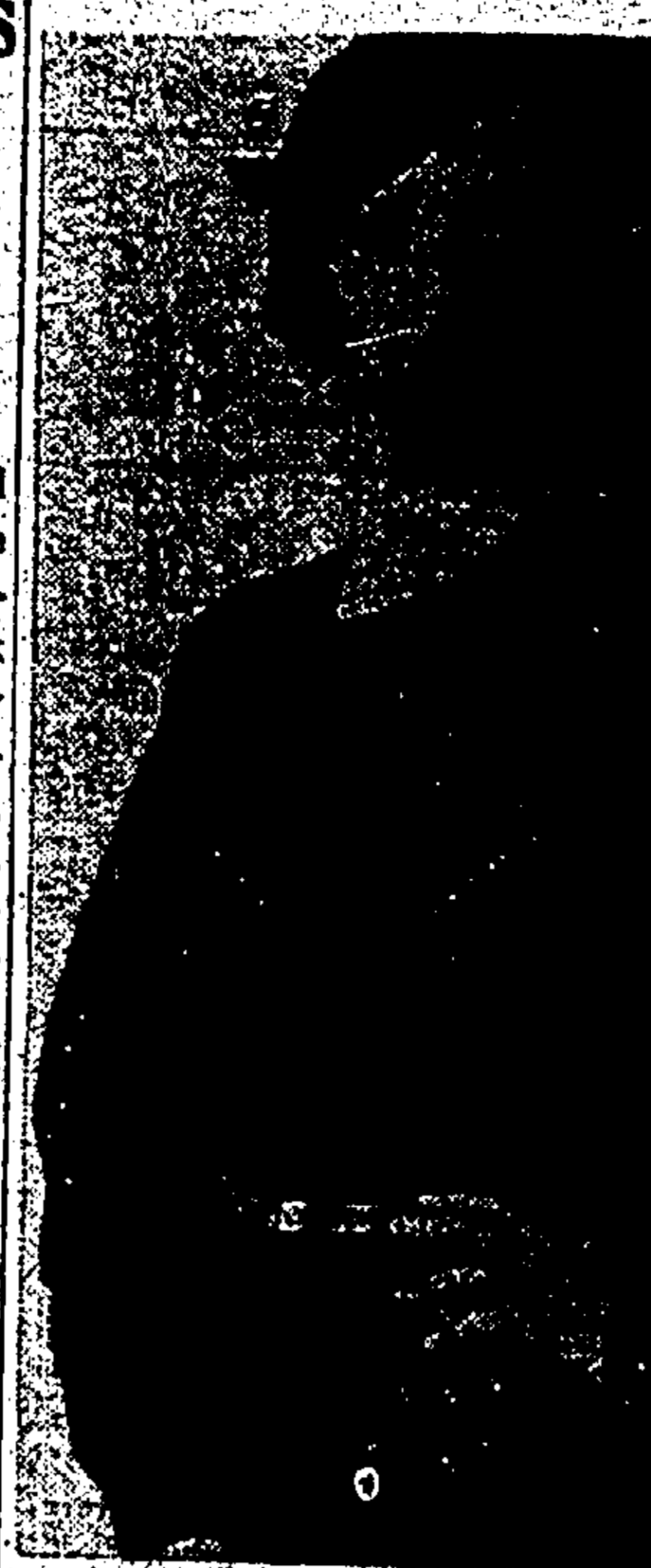
Colour Schemes.
As usefulness is the main advan-
tage of the sports suit it is not sur-
prising to find its colour schemes
chosen with great care. A dark
and a light green are suggested;
two, or even three shades of blue;
and an attractive combination of
brown and beige.

The wrap-over skirt shown in a
brown-beige suit was slightly shap-
ed towards the hem, and appeared
to give much greater freedom for
walking in consequence, and it was
fastened at the side with a zip-
fastener. The jacket in this mo-
del had the popular Norfolk coat,
and the collar was slightly higher
and "easier" than most jacket col-
lars, the idea being to make it
sit comfortably over the neck of
the overcoat, which was collarless.
A blouse of hand-knitted cream silk
completed the ensemble.

Satin Blouses.
Satin blouses, simple in style, are
shown with six out of ten sports
suits. They provide the light
touch, a lily-leaf green blouse be-
ing worn with a bottle green coat
and skirt; periwinkle blue with
navy, and so on.

But the girl who knits her own
blouses and jumpers need not de-
spair. Instead of the woollen jer-
sey, however, a heavy hand-knitted
silk is suggested. Then there are
crisp little "fronts" of quite in-
expensive, checked cotton, and of
the new crushed crepes and silks.
With a dark blouse there are
charming lingerie touches, collars
and cuffs of coarse linen in off-
white (pink, cream, and pale blue,
for instance. Hand-made collars
and cuffs of wool, fine string, and
silk offer many possibilities to the
girl with artistic fingers.

An ostrich-colour frock of some
thin, rough-surfaced material in
one of the new London collections
had a collar and turned-back cuffs
done in double crochet in wool of
tangerine, green, brown and white.
The effect was delightful. On a
black frock the knitted collar was
done in a fluted pattern in straw-
berry-ice pink and white; and a
navy crepe de chine dress had a
deep square collar of brushed an-
gora wool in lingerie blue and
cream.



Summer's
Starched
Cleanliness

White Pique Coats
Prove Popular.

High-crowned hats are trimmed
on the top and towards the back.
There is a growing liking for white
pique coats and hats. A starched
cleanliness is the fashion, and this
may account for the continuance of
light checks and crowfoot patterns.
Jenny has made a little ensemble
in blue and white: check of a very
small pattern. It has a box-pleated
skirt with a fitting hip yoke and a
short coat cut low to fasten with a
belt round the waist and show in-
front a white lingerie blouse with
a white hat.

Another coat and skirt is in fine
crossed lines of grey and white and
is to go with a scarlet fez and a
flower in the coat, under which is a
white blouse.

EVER USEFUL SPORT ENSEMBLES.

Two Coat Suits And
Handmade Collars.

LINGERIE TOUCHES.

In these days of collarless frocks
the shape and condition of the
neck is important. There should
never be a hard line where the
face treatment ends, and the neck
should be included in the nightly
practice of cleansing the skin, and
should always be lightly dusted
with powder during the day to tone
in with the complexion.

Where the neck is really discol-
oured, after cleansing it thoroug-
hly at night apply a good bleach
with a piece of soft linen and al-
low it to remain on all night. In
the morning wash with soap and
water, then apply foundation
cream and powder.

Thin necks with pronounced
"salt-cellars" are a problem, but
they can be improved if treated
regularly with a good skin food.
Wash the neck well in the water
and a good super-fatted soap, then
dry it carefully and massage well
with a generous dose of nourishing
cream, paying particular attention
to the hollows. Olive oil is fatten-
ing and soap and cream which con-
tain it will be particularly good.
Wipe off the surplus cream and
sponge with a slightly astringent
lotion to close the pores.

Deep breathing exercises will
be found beneficial and they should
be done regularly for ten minutes
twice a day, either in the open air
or before an open window. I find
my singing practice a great help
in this respect, as deep breathing
is such a vital part of voice train-
ing. Another excellent exercise
for straightening the shoulders
filling out the neck is to stretch the
arms out in front with the palms
touching, then swing them back-
wards and try to make the hands
meet at the back. This will be dif-
ficult at first, but it will gradually
become easier with practice.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

The Dinner Menu.
Chicken Pie With Biscuits
Mashed Potatoes
Bread Butter
Head Lettuce Russian Dressing
Cranberry Sauce
Date Pudding Whipped Cream
Coffee

Chicken Pie
(Chicken Mixture)
4 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
2 cups milk
1/2 cup chicken stock
1 1/2 cups diced cooked chicken
2 tablespoons chopped pimientos
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon paprika
Melt butter and add flour. When
blended add milk and cook until
creamy sauce forms. Stir con-
stantly. Add rest of ingredients
and pour into buttered shallow
pan. Cover with biscuits.
Biscuits
2 cups pastry flour

4 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons lard
2 tablespoons butter
2/8 cup milk
Mix flour, baking powder and
salt. Cut in lard and butter with
knife. Mixing with knife, slowly
add milk. When soft dough forms,
pat out until half inch thick. Cut
out biscuits, arrange side by side
on top chicken mixture.

Russian Dressing
1/8 cup stiff mayonnaise
3 tablespoons chili sauce
2 tablespoons chopped pickles
2 tablespoons chopped pimento-
stuffed olives.
Mix and chill ingredients, serve
on lettuce.

Cranberry Sauce
4 cups berries
2 cups water
2 cups sugar
Wash berries, add water and
boil gently until berries have burst
skins. Add sugar and boil quick-
ly five minutes. Pour into glass
dish and cool.

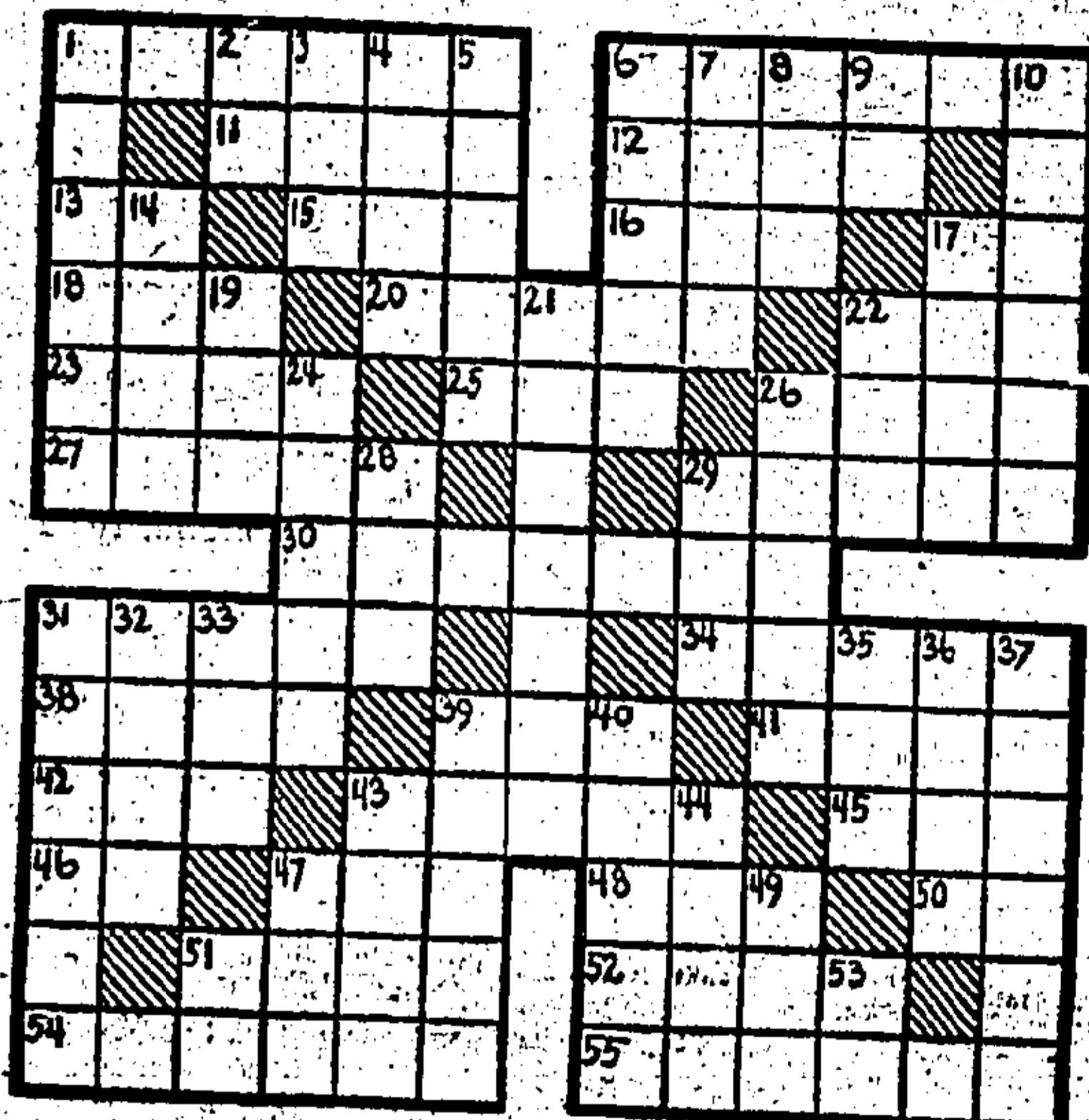


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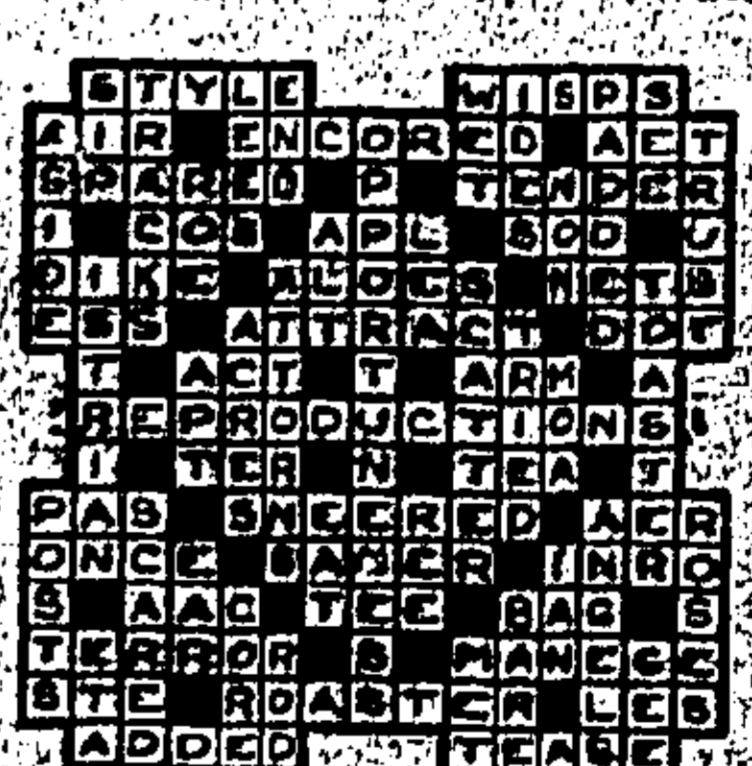
This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spelling, such as harbor, plow, and alba.



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|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-To devote to holy | 41-English railway car | 14-Combining form |
| 8-Ages | 42-A container for coal | 17-And others |
| 11-Comfort | 43-Harbor | 19-Prefix. Not |
| 12-Trim | 44-A lofty mountain | 21-Cavalry soldiers |
| 13-Egyptian sun-god | 45-Into | 22-Armed with a lance |
| 15-Five hundred fifty- | 46-Preparation by | 23-Residue of a fire |
| one (Roman) | 47-Energy | 24-Part of a flower |
| 16-Snare | 48-East Indies (abbr.) | 25-First president of |
| 17-Because | 51-A vegetable | German Republic |
| 18-Lair | 52-Dash | 26-Make a mistake |
| 20-A deck below the | 53-Moves by steam | 28-A serpent |
| berth-deck of a | 55-Provoke | 31-Small crude houses |
| battleship | | 32-Residue (Post.) |
| 22-High (Mus.) | | 33-Noise |
| 23-Greek god of love | | 35-Boy's name |
| 25-From dawn to dark | | 36-Valley |
| 26-Feminine suffix | | 37-Country ruled by an |
| (Fr.) | | emperor |
| 27-One who receives a | | 39-Merits |
| gift | | 40-Donated |
| 28-Despise | | 41-Ray |
| 30-Correct | | 42-Egyptian river |
| 31-An evergreen tree | | 43-A vegetable |
| 32-Self respect | | 44-Small rye |
| 33-An accessory used | | 45-Exist |
| covering | | 46-Part of the Bible |
| 34-A unit of work | | (abbr.) |
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The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will
appear in to-morrow's issue.

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.
12.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia & Regal records.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.
2 p.m.—Close Down.
4.30-7 p.m.—Chinese recorded programme.
7.10-8 p.m.—European programme.
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.
7.3-7.15 p.m.—The Fountains of Rome (Respighi)
Milan Symphony Orch. 9833-4.
7.18-8 p.m.—Variety.
Orchestra—
The Chinese Story, Toller.
The Bohemians DB1018.
Song—
One Little Kiss From You
Jessie Matthews (Soprano) DB1048.
Organ Solo—
Her Name is Mary
Sidney Torch DB1048.
Vocal Quartette—
The Girl in the Little Green Hat
The Four Musketeers DB1078.
Orchestra—
Kyrren
Gerald's Gaucho Tango Orch. CB576.
Song—
In a Shanty in Old Shanty Town
Marie Burke & Male Quartette DB1023.
Orchestra—
A Wedding in Java
The Bohemians DB1018.
Song—
I'll Star With You
Jessie Matthews (Soprano) DB1048.
Organ Solo—
Rosa Mia
Sidney Torch DB1048.
Vocal Quartette—
Let Bygones be Bygones
The Four Musketeers DB1078.
Orchestra—
Tonight I'm Going to be Gay
Gerald's Gaucho Tango Orch. CB576.
Song—
Climbing the Stairway of Love
Marie Burke & Male Quartette DB1023.
8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
A relay of the Melodians' Trio from Lane Crawford's Restaurant, by courtesy of the Management. (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio.)
Programme.
1. In a Canoe (Zameonik)
2. Song—The Merry Peasant (Schumann)
Malcolm McEachern (Bass) DB1059.
3. Dedication (Seybold)
4. Song—What More Can I Ask (Winn & Noble)
Anna Winn (Soprano) DB1036.
5. Menuet (Mozart)
6. Song—Till Tomorrow (Malneck, Campbell & Connelly)
Paul Small (Tenor) DB1050.
7. Swing Song (Burns)
8. Song—The Harmonious Blacksmith (Handel)
Malcolm McEachern (Bass) DB1059.
9. Serenade (Gounod)
10. Song—Brighter Than the Sun (Winn-Noble)
Anna Winn (Soprano) DB1036.
11. Pekoe Dance (Tschakoff)
12. Song—Remember Our Romance (Woods, Campbell & Connelly)
Paul Small (Tenor) DB1050.
9.30 p.m.—
Song—
Aida—Ritorna Vincitor (Verdi)
Eva Turner (Soprano) L2150.
Band—
Lol Here the Gentle Lark (Bishop, arr. Godfrey)
La Benediction des Poignards (Meyerbeer)
Reg. Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards 9822.
Vocal Duet—
Otilio
Witness Yonder Marble Heaven
I Lay With Cassio (Verdi)
Harold Williams & Francis Russell 9827.
Organ Solo—
Frederica—Wayside Rose (Lehar)
Quentin M. Maclean DB277.
9.30-10.30 p.m.—From the Studio,
A recital by Professor N. A. Tonoff (Violin) & Professor S. Makierzoff (Pianist).
Programme.
1. Violin Solos—
(a) Flocio—Allegro.
(b) Saint-Saens—Le Cygne.
(c) Mozart—Menuett.
2. Piano Solos—
(a) Etude No. 15 (Chopin)
(b) Valse No. 4.
3. Violin Solos—
(a) Galt—Tarantella.
(b) Winkowski—Mazurka.
(c) Gilt—Babilago.
4. Piano Solos—
(a) The Spring (Grieg)
(b) The Lark (Glinka)
(c) Valse (Godard).
10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.
10.45 p.m.—Close Down.
All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

BRIDGE NOTES

SOME SECOND THOUGHTS.

MORE SELF-CRITICISM.
By CAPT. LINDSAY MUNDY.

My penance of searching for errors in bidding by my partner or myself in our recent match against the Reeveu system was broken off last week at the 41st hand. From that point to hand 110, which is as far as my records go, I have found only five further faults to report.
Hand 57 has been cited as a failure on the part of the Two Club convention; which we were still using at that time, the Three Minor not having then come into being. The fault, however, in my opinion was not attributable to that convention, but to undercalling in the later stages of the bidding.
Kempson Myself
S-A-B x x
H-A K J 10 9 7 x x
D-A K 8 8 7 Q J 10
C-Nil A K 10 9 x x
Kempson opened with the conventional Two Clubs. I replied with Four Clubs, to show more than a minimum response. Kempson bid Four Hearts and made a small slam. He decided not to jump to Five, fearing that having no club himself he might never get my hand in.
I think this was magnifying the danger. Had he bid Five I should certainly have bid Six, having two of his suit. That particular situation is dealt with on Page 141 of my book.

HAND 74.
C-A Q 10 9 x 10 9
S-K x x A x
H-Q 9 x x A Q J 10 x
D-K K J 8 x
Kempson opened with One Club, followed by Three Diamonds from me and Three No Trumps from him, and he made six by cards.
Although an opening of One Club is a very weak bid, yet in view of my strong holding in his suit I think I should have given him a chance by raising his Three No-Trump to either Four-Clubs or Four No-Trump. He would, of course, have raised either bid to six. Nevertheless, had my Ace of Hearts been the Ace of Spades, no slam could have been made.
HAND 84.
Both vulnerable. No score below the line.
S-K Q J 10 8 4 A 7 x x
H-K 8 A 4 x
D-J x 3 2
C-J x x A 4 3 2
I was second in hand and could not open vulnerable on three Aces with no five-card suit, the next highest card being a seven. Kempson, fourth-in-hand, threw in the hand. I could only approve of that course had the Spade holding been in a minor suit.

HAND 89.
S-10 x x K Q J 9
H-K 9 A 10 x
D-8 x x Q 9 x x
C-A Q 8 x 10 x
We were vulnerable, and 60 up against 90. I opened One No-Trump, was raised to Two and went down one trick. At love, the raise in No-Trump is entirely in keeping with the system, but at 60 up, would not Two Clubs be a better bid?
In this case had Two Clubs been left in it would have been tragic, as the hand over him held K J 7 4 3 2 of that suit.
HAND 93.
S-x x A x
H-Q J x x K x
D-A K Q x x J 10 x x
C-x K Q x x
Non-vulnerable, second in hand, Kempson opened with Two Diamonds. I jumped him straight to six and we were two down.
The blame, of course, is mine. I felt there should be a slam unless he had a minimum opening, and a raise to Five does not give

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The aged parents of Mr. Jesse Strauss, who has just been appointed American Ambassador here, died heroic deaths in the s.s. Titanic.
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Take, for instance, the first question. What should the dealer bid on?
S-A 9 D-K J 10 9 6
S-A 9 C-A J 4
On the direct system the answer would undoubtedly be Two Diamonds. For approach bidders, both One and Two No-Trump are ruled out, as there is a biddable suit.
There is nothing like the strength required for a Forcing Two bid. Approach bidders who use the Two Club instead of the Forcing Two, would presumably bid Two Diamonds, yet I cannot get away from the idea that One Diamond will be adjudged correct. I base this forecast on the fact that the opener is made to bid One Spade on the hand in Question 3.

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"The customs policy of France has ruined our mercantile service" declared one speaker.
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An appealing human story, that is its greatest attraction, the film "State Fair" follows closely the novel, which was among those chosen as the Month's Best by the Book Society.

For the sake of Box-office appeal the ending has been slightly altered. It is distinguished by simple language, but there is beauty throughout, and the author's ideas and characters have been faithfully reproduced, until they seem like living people.

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Too much cannot be said in favour of the acting. Will Rogers, bless him, with only a few of the famous drolleries, but when "Blue-Boy," the hog is taken sick just before judging time, you will feel a tug at your heart. Louise Dresser is ideally cast, and you must watch her play of expressions at the time of the pickle and mince-meat judging. Janet Gaynor—is appealing and wistful as she was in "Diane"—and with that handsome lad, Lew Ayres, (who stole my heart, as the young reporter) I prophesy we have a pair that will outlive the Gaynor-Farrell combination.

Worldly-wise Sally Eilers as the trapeze artist, Norman Foster the simple farm boy who loves her—they all act like human beings, and their youthful love is poignant. A word for a newcomer, Victor Jory as the "Spicer." Others in the cast come up to scratch but have little to do. In this superlatively outstanding picture we have natural-

ness, sincerity and the feeling of homelife—so dear to us all. A picture for the young, for the old—For ALL. (King's).

"Madame Butterfly"
Sylvia Sydney gives beauty and dignity to the sentimental film "Madame Butterfly." The story is well known—of Cho San, the little Geisha, who marries the handsome American Naval Officer—(Japanese fashion)—while he only loves (American fashion) and leaves her "till the robins nest again."

The film follows the original short play by John Long, not the opera. I regret we have not enough of the gorgeous music by Puccini.

I wonder if anyone here remembers seeing Evelyn Millard in the original stage version. I recall with delight Caruso and Emmy Destinn at Covent Garden—and the greatest "Butterfly" of them all—Geraldine Farrar—at the Metropolitan, New York. Mary Pickford did a silent film version in 1915.

This revival is meant to delight the legions of admirers of Miss Sydney. She invests the part with appealing quaintness and pathos. Cary Grant is handsome and not too serious, but his excuse at the end seemed very lame, and put him in a bad light.

I wonder too, why that banal love song was introduced. Charles Rogers is mediocre as the friend. Pictorially the picture is extremely decorative, with the most pleasant effect on the eyes. Under expert guidance, the dress, customs, manners are faithfully followed.

The little child is adorable. Cho Cho San solves her problem in the traditional manner with the usual Oriental fortitude, and the story ends on tragedy.

Miss Sydney handles the broken English remarkably well, and still remains natural. She achieves a personal triumph and I recommend this picture alone for her excellent work. (Queen's).

"Explorers of the World"
"Explorers of the World," which might be summed up as the "Big-



A thrilling scene from "Explorers of the World," now showing at the Central Theatre. The picture is composed of authentic scenes from waste-lands of the world.

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"Rackety Rax"
In "Rackety Rax" we have Vivian McLaughlin in the rough-neck comedy for which he is famous. It is an utterly nonsensical plot about a big-shot racketeer who buys a bankrupt College so that he can have his own football team, and cut in on the racket.

There are some good dance numbers, with a few sprightly tunes, and Greta Nissen helping along the enjoyment by looking cute and pretty. Good for plenty of laughs, although at times, like so many of the McLaughlin films, it is a little too broad for some tastes. (King's).

"A Passport to Hell"
"A Passport to Hell," brings the Empress of emotion, Eliana Landi, in an eternal triangle story of life in East Africa, where our heroine, a misunderstood woman, marries a German officer in order to avoid internment during the war. She falls in love with her best friend, and farther-in-law does all he can to ruin her.

Very capably acted by a large cast which includes Paul Lukas in his usual role, Alexander Kirkland and Warner Oland. The film is only showing this week at 5.10 and 9.30. It is not an outstanding film, but with Frank Lloyd at the helm and good acting you will find it quite worth while. (King's).

Star Pictures
"Innocents of Chicago," with Bernard Nodell and Betty Norton, both well-known in the Orient in the good old days. Betty was a clever youngster who was in the Company Globe-trotters. She is doing very well in films now at home, just finishing with Jack Hobbs in "Jesser in the Army." Absurd travesty of gangster life in Chicago, with Richard Kendall as the star. Quite amusing.

Followed by "Temple Tower," a continuation of the life of Bull-dog Drummond, with Kenneth McKenna as the hero and Marceline Day as the love interest.

A grand story of life in a present-day American Banking circle with Walter Huston, Kay Johnson, Gavin Gordon, Pat O'Brien, and Constance Cummings in "American Madness." Recommended. All coming to the Star.

"Week-End Marriage"
Coming to the King's, "Week-End Marriage" with Loretta Young doing a grand bit of acting. Norman Foster, George Chatterton, Brent and Aling MacMahon are also in the cast. An office-wife story dressed up in new clothes. Quite enjoyable.

"Afraid To Talk"
"Afraid To Talk" taken from the stage play "Merry-go-Round," with Eric Linden in his usual role of a hysterical youth, which he plays so excellently is coming to the Central. Sydney Fox has little to do, as the sugary sweet wife who waits for him. Louis Calhern and Edward Arnold are thoroughly at home as the corrupt attorney and "Big Shot" gangster. I notice many names in the large cast including Joyce Compton, Filly Marshall and Reginald Barlow. It is the story of organized brutality and corruption that the American studios do not hesitate to show up. An innocent bell boy is wrongfully arrested, tortured and nearly hanged in an attempt to power up the "racket" of organized brutality. Horrifying but sensational. I can hardly imagine it happening anywhere but

in the U.S., the home of gangdom. (Central).

A Fight Film
The sort of picture any audience should thoroughly enjoy. "Madison Square Garden," and the famous Sporting Palace which has been the scene of every kind of fight, wrestling match, races, shows, etc. which go to form sport, comes into its own on the screen.

Tommy Meighan is the owner, and Willie Collier, Sr., the old matchmaker. Jack Oakie as the fighter has never done better work, and Warren Hymer as the wrestler runs him a close second. Marian Nixon lends the feminine interest. Men will revel in this picture, the fight which goes round by round, is alone full of thrills, but it has general appeal too. (Queen's).

"The Golden West"
"The Golden West" is an old-time Western from the story by Zane Grey. George O'Brien plays the dual role of father and son, and Janet Chandler, mother and daughter, while our recent charming visitor, Marian Burns does good work too.

The buffalo stampede, excellent scenic qualities, well-directed crowd work and an interesting story should please, but the children will revel in it, and you must not let them miss seeing this at the King's.

I'm Telling You
Wheeler and Woolsey are easily the most popular comedians in the Malay States, and are assured of a royal welcome there. Where they excel over Chaplin and Lloyd is the fact that they have produced so many more pictures a year. Their future contract calls for "Indiscreet," and only two per year. Good news for the fans who like to see Bert Wheeler dance and hear his charming voice. Also like Barthelmess they intend travelling more; so that thousands of admirers will have a chance to know them personally.

Jack Gilbert has at last finished that million-dollar a year contract, and is M.G.M. breathing a sigh of relief! He talks of producing on his own, but if he is wise he will cling to the few millions he still has, and retire from the screen, at least as far as acting is concerned.

Jack La Rue who was chosen to take George Raft's place in "Temple Drake" when Raft walked out on Paramount, will play Raft's brother in "The Trumpet Blows."

The Fredrick Marches have astonished Hollywood by announcing they love their adopted daughter so much, they will adopt three more. Clara Bow is seriously thinking of adopting her cousins, twin boy and girl.

Janet Gaynor's divorce is through now. She and her mother recently returned from a short vacation at her lovely bungalow in Honolulu.

Mail for Sylvia Sydney is mainly from the Orient, where she is an enormous favourite.

William Powell has left Warners and will go on the stage. He and Carole Lombard are ideally happy, despite rumours.

Ramon Novarro has resigned from M.G.M., and has gone on that well-needed vacation to Europe, where he will sing in concerts.

So dear old fat jolly Walter Hiers has passed on; he will be missed in films. John Barrymore will be kept busy, his pictures for Metro and two for Radio, one being co-starred with Katherine Hepburn.

The four biggest male star attractions in Australia are Chevalier, Arliss, Colman and Gable, with Janet Gaynor, Crawford, Marie Dressler, and Garbo among the female stars.

"Humour" has it that the great Irene Castle will return to stage life and start dancing again with Clifton Webb. Who will ever forget the rage caused by Irene and Vernon, her first husband. They revolutionized ballroom dancing, and she was crowned the World's Fashion Plate. She is married to a wealthy Chicago man, and has one daughter, the famous Irene Castle. She is now a famous dancer.

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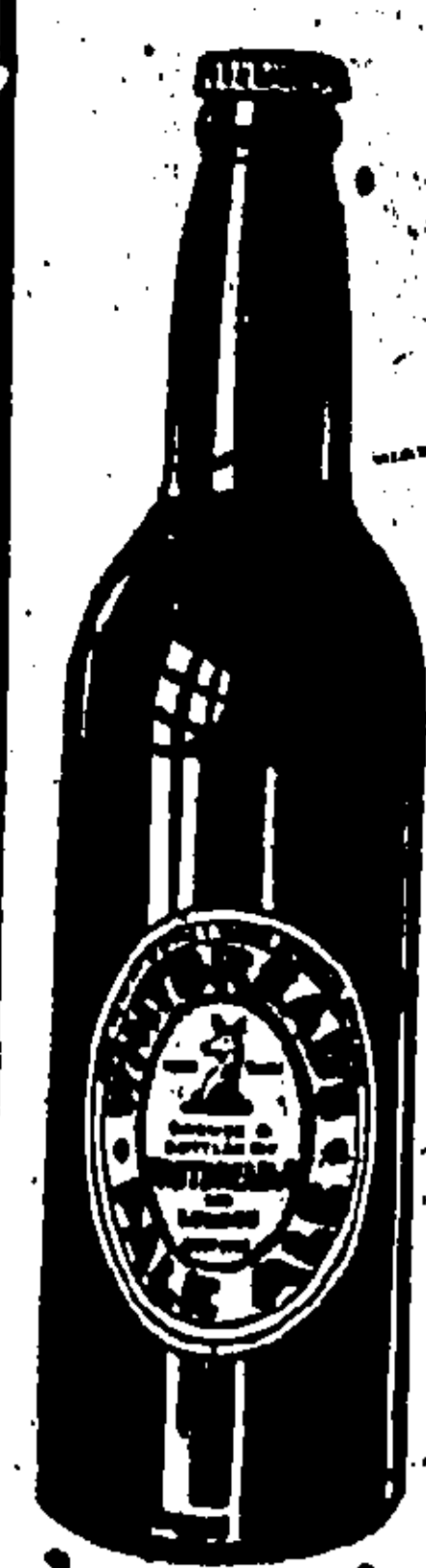
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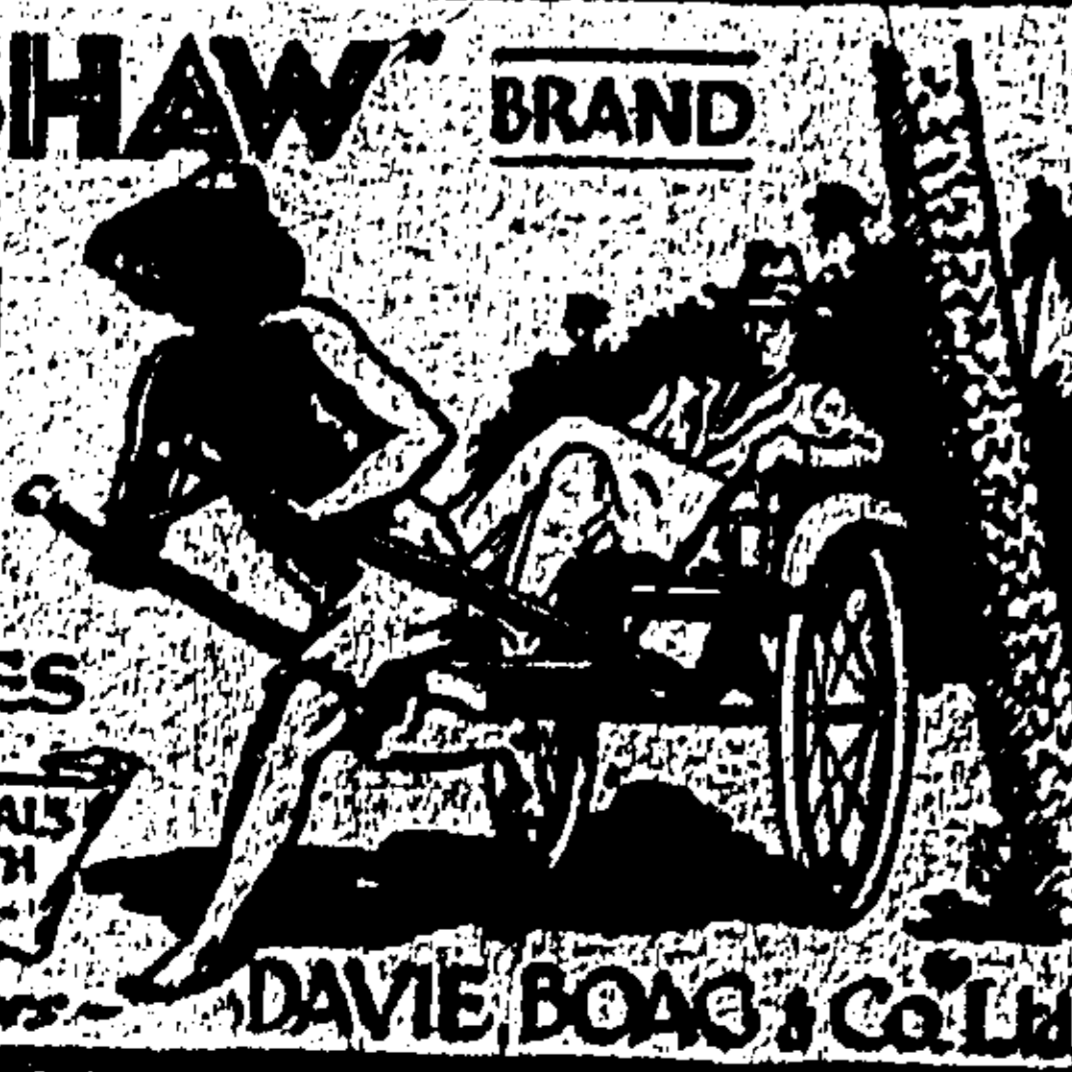
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Tax Immunity.

An immunity from taxation that has been enjoyed too long is to be ended by British Government action. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons last Monday, moved a financial resolution to authorise the legislation to carry out the recommendations of the Committee on Income-tax in relation to Co-operative Societies. Under the present law undistributed income derived from trading with members is exempted from taxation, and the Government's intention is to repeal that section. Mr. Chamberlain explained that efforts had been made to reach an agreed basis of taxation with Co-operative Societies, but this had failed, and the Government had had to formulate its own proposals. The effect of the resolution was merely to put these Societies in the same position as the other trading companies carrying on identical activities. The Co-operators, in effect, refused voluntarily to surrender any part of the immunities which they have so long enjoyed. The Chancellor of the Exchequer told them that he looked to them for £750,000 of new money, and invited suggestions as to the most convenient method by which the tax should be imposed. They replied that no method will be convenient, and that since none can be just they will resist and repel all. Whatever tax is imposed will, they say, be fought, and at the earliest possible moment repealed. They are resisting, needless to say, on principle, though principle in this case coincides with self-interest. Public opinion outside the Co-operative movement was very much astonished when it learnt from the Chancellor, as he made his Budget statement, that he was still negotiating with the Co-operators as to the tax which he designed to impose. It is no new thing, of course, for the Treasury to approach the leading representatives of great industries—e.g., the brewing, the tobacco, the sugar, or the silk industries—and discuss with them the ways of raising a given amount which shall cause the trades concerned the least upset. But it is unprecedented, we believe, to carry on the discussion over Budget Day, and no less unprecedented for the industries to defy the tax itself. This is not a good precedent. Why should there be this peculiar tenderness towards those who are taxpaying? Is the Co-operative movement above their duty as taxpayers and contributors to the State? It is certainly not on account of the shining virtues of the principle of mutuality in trading. It is simply because of the political influence which the movement exercises. Considerable misapprehension exists as to what the Co-operative movement really is. It is commonly visualised in the concrete as a retail grocer's shop or general stores. Many people have no conception of its vast development in the last twenty years. Its retail societies had a turnover in 1931 of £217,318,000; its financial resolution to authorise the legislation to carry out the recommendations of the Committee on Income-tax in relation to Co-operative Societies. Under the present law undistributed income derived from trading with members is exempted from taxation, and the Government's intention is to repeal that section. Mr. Chamberlain explained that efforts had been made to reach an agreed basis of taxation with Co-operative Societies, but this had failed, and the Government had had to formulate its own proposals. The effect of the resolution was merely to put these Societies in the same position as the other trading companies carrying on identical activities. The Co-operators, in effect, refused voluntarily to surrender any part of the immunities which they have so long enjoyed. 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India On The Ether.

Every technical triumph is soon treated as a commonplace in this mechanical age. Yet the Post Office and the Indian Radio and Cable Company surely deserve praise for establishing wireless telephone communication with India. It is only six years since conversations with American friends became possible, and in that brief period the wireless telephone service has been extended to all the Dominions, including even remote New Zealand. Now the ancient East is admitted to the privileges of the ether. London can now talk with Bombay, and Bombay will soon be able to talk with San Francisco, Melbourne and Cape Town. There was much truth in Sir Samuel Hoare's remark at the inaugural ceremony that time and distance were the real enemies of the far-flung British Empire. Speedier communication must therefore be welcomed for political as well as commercial reasons. Yet there are harassed people who will regret that in the near future there will be no escape from telephone calls in any part of the empire. Day by day the shipwreck of the world goes on apace. The telephone harvest will soon have to seek shelter in some other planet.

HERE, THERE EVERYWHERE

Heroes of the Mountain Pass.
In recent years it has become the habit of certain thrill-hunting tourists in the Alps to get "lost" deliberately so that they may be "rescued" by the St. Bernard dogs and find shelter in the famous Hospice of the Augustinian monks, whose grim morgue was, in ages past filled with the bodies of real fallen wayfarers. The highly-trained dogs were sent out in snowstorms to see what they could find, and their well-developed sense of smell frequently located human beings who had fallen victims to the terrors of the St. Bernard Pass.

The travel industry has commercialized the fine record of heroism of the monks of this highest winter habitation in the Alps, so they are looking for a place where they will be better able to restore the spirit of self-sacrifice of their founder. St. Bernard de Menthon, who established the monastery in 962. They are reported to be extending their work of mercy to the wild St-La Pass in the Himalayas.

The Brotherhood consists of about forty members, who deeply regret that their Hospice should have become a mere show place for holiday-makers.

Prince Works In Bank.

In order to qualify as an efficient king in a democratic age, Prince Gustaf Adolph of Sweden, oldest son of the Crown Prince with the same name, has gone to work in the Stockholm Mortgage Bank as a student clerk. Later he will pass similar periods in other banks, and will attend lectures on economic topics at the Stockholm College of Commerce.

Next winter he is scheduled to make first-hand studies of Sweden's principal and forestry products. Another member of the Swedish royal family, Prince Lennart, who forfeited his rank when he married a commoner, will enter a newly started business enterprise as a director. The firm will deal in timber products, especially wood boxes.

Your Daily Smile

PRAYERS.
MUDD: Dauber does vary real-
istic work, doesn't he?
MUCK: Yes—those apples he painted two months ago are now said by critics to be rotten.

Short Cut.

The old man had come to London to see a football match, and thought he would improve the occasion by seeing some of the sights. He buttonholed a man on the pavement and sought his advice. "Can you help me?" he asked. "What's wrong?" "I'd like to get to Bow Street." "You would?" exclaimed the Londoner, a doubtful-looking character. "Well, I've just come from there." "Ah, then you're the very man I want! Tell me, do I have to take a bus to get to Bow Street?" The other man smiled. "No, guv'nor," he replied. "A silver watch will do."

A Lottery.
"I do the thought that Jack is friendly with other girls."
"My dear, you should have known before that marriage is a lottery."
"I did, but I never expected anyone else to share my ticket."

GET THE POINT.

BATCH: What's the best month to get married in?
MARR: Octobrember.
BATCH: Why, there's no such month.
MARR: Just so.

Facts You Did Not Know.

Airplane services have been established in Greece from Athens to Calcutta and Jannina, and arrangements have been made for international lines linking Greece with France and Poland.

For refrigerating fresh fruits and vegetables shipped long distances apparatus has been invented that blows crushed ice into cars, the ice freezing the solid mass on top of the contents.

An Austrian engineer has equipped some man-gondolas to be lowered from dirigible balloons for observation purposes with a propeller-driven motor.

Correspondence.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE CONCERT.

(To The Editor "China Mail.")

Sir—With reference to my letter which you published yesterday on the subject of a concert organised by the St. John's College of Arts and Commerce in aid of a Free Night School to be established by that College, it has now been pointed out to me by the Manager that the advertised object of that concert is to provide a Sports and Library Fund for the College as well as to finance the Free School. The Manager further informs me that the College is now in fact solvent though this was denied yesterday.

I write this at the Manager's request in order that the good name of the College may not be unduly discredited by my previous letter.

I append a copy of the circular appeal for support as issued by the Manager to which my attention was in the first place drawn.

Yours, etc.,
N. L. SMITH,
Director of Education,
Hong Kong, May 26.

M. S. Phoon, Manager.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE OF ARTS AND COMMERCE.

710, Nathan Road, Kowloon.
Dear Sir—As you are among the few who enjoy the privilege and the satisfaction of donating to charities in this Colony, the committee of our First Educational Campaign now turn to you for your support in its present activity. In our small way, we started a Free School for the poor children last April. However, the enrollment has now reached a number quite beyond our meagre efforts to maintain.

In order to carry on with this needy work, the committee desire your support confident that these children's call for enlightenment will not be in vain. We believe that if we must be charitable, we should start from the root. The poor, the crippled, the aged and the sickly need our attention in their childhood, their lot would be to give to others rather than to take from others. A blessing instead of a burden to the taxpayers. It is with this conviction in view that we started the Free School.

In calling for assistance we are staging a Variety Entertainment at the Prince's Theatre, Kowloon, on Saturday, May 27, 1933, the receipts of which will be entirely devoted to the Free School, and the Sports and Library Fund. Admission tickets are \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00 each, besides special complimentary tickets to be issued to large donors to this fund.

In this connection we must mention that among others we are indebted to the American Trade Commissioners and the Fox Film Corporation for films; Mr. Andrew Chan, and his Vagabonds for their Hawaiian numbers; and Sun-freese for contributing the proceeds from sales of ice-cream in the theatre. We take the liberty of sending you several tickets and will appreciate your cheque as contribution toward this fund.

We thank you.

MESSAGE TO CANTON

Sent By Teleprinter At The Fair.

LATER RELAYED BY TELEPHONE

The following message was sent by Mr. T. Y. Deane of the Canton Telephone Administration to Mr. Liu, Chi Wen, Mayor of Canton. This message was sent over the teleprinter equipment at present in operation between this Company's stall at the Empire Fair, in the Peninsula Hotel and the Company's Head Office. Afterwards it was relayed to Canton over the trunk telephone line.
To Mr. Liu, Chi Wen,
Mayor of Canton,
The Canton Municipality.
Mr. T. Y. Deane of the Canton Telephone Administration, now visiting Hong Kong, and present at the Empire Exhibition sends the following message:

"I have just visited the British Empire Fair Exhibition at the Peninsula Hotel, Hong Kong. I am sending this message to you over the teleprinter circuit which is installed on the stall of the Hong Kong Telephone Co., Ltd., to be re-transmitted over the Hong Kong-Canton Trunk Telephone cable."

I have seen certain sections of exhibition and I am fully convinced that if next year we can co-operate with the Hong Kong Telephone Company Ltd. in exhibiting at this Fair it is imperative that we should do so, as hereby goodwill between the two administrations will be cemented.

BUDGET WILL BE BALANCED

Large Savings Made In The Estimates.

SUPPLEMENTARY BILL FOR \$517,015.30

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, a Bill to amend the Divorce Ordinance, 1932, and a Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps were read for the third time and passed.

A Bill authorising the appropriation of \$517,015.30, to defray the charges of 1932, was read a first time in the Legislative Council yesterday.

In moving the motion, the Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. Edwin Taylor) pointed out that the supplementary vote was the result of maintenance in the exchange rate.

A large saving, it was stated, had been made on the Estimates, the total expenditure being \$32,050,283, against an estimate of \$34,981,661.

"I have every hope," said the Colonial Treasurer, "that provided there is no catastrophic fall in exchange, the budget will be balanced without undue difficulty."

His Excellency, the Governor (Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E.) presided and other present were:

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O.)

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.).

The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.).

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood).

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. E. Taylor).

The Inspector General of Police (Hon. Mr. E. D. Wolfe, C.M.G.).

The Acting Harbour Master (Hon. Commander J. B. Newell, R.N., Retired).

The Director of Medical and Sanitary Services (Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington).

The Acting Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. A. G. W. Tickle).

Hon. Mr. Henry Pollock, Kt., K.C.

Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie.

Hon. Mr. R. H. Kewell, C.M.G., L.L.D.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.

Hon. Dr. S. W. T. O'Brien, LL.D.

Hon. Mr. J. J. Peterson.

Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau.

Hon. Mr. Paul Lauder.

Mr. R. A. C. North (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

PARIS TAXPAYER'S PATIENCE LOST.

Official's Errors Prove "Last Straw."

Paris.
A Paris firm may be sold up because the revenue authorities claim a sum of 1 fr. 29 centimes. The head of the firm is a model taxpayer.

On May 8, 1932, he paid his taxes two months before they were due, including a sum of 79 frs. In January, 1933, he was informed that these 79 frs. had been wrongly demanded, and the sum was reimbursed.

A few days ago he was asked to return the sum. This he did. The tax collector then decided that he was late with his payment, at least as far as a fraction was concerned.

He demanded a fine of 10 per cent. on the fraction, but made a mistake in his arithmetic charging only 15 centimes instead of 1 fr. 44. The 15 centimes were paid. Then the mistake discovered, the tax collector demanded the remaining 1 fr. 29 centimes.

This was the last straw. The head of the firm refused to pay and a bailiff arrived. "They can sell me up," he said. "It will be well worth it, as an example."—Reuter.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

The Commissioner has the honour to acknowledge with grateful thanks and appreciation the receipt of the following donations:

Football Matches, £500.00
Stawards Jockey Club, £500.00
Mr. Kan, Tai-wei (Medical), £500.00
Comforts for Patients, £500.00

Premium Income Declines

(Continued from Page 4.)

Some diminution in our income was of course inevitable. Nevertheless a smaller income goes to emphasise expenses ratios which we are making every effort to reduce.

Following our usual custom our investments have been valued at or below market prices ruling as at December 31 last and our liabilities and assets are included at the exchange rates ruling as at the close of the year.

You will notice that our Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account stands at a very favourable year. The reinsurance fund of £1,039,816.15. is in the nature of an additional and free reserve to the reserves set up in the various funds.

The amount of cash the Society and affiliated Companies have on deposit and on current account as at the close of the year is considerable, but it must be remembered that our business is very widespread and with the difficulties of exchange at the present time it has been considered desirable to maintain adequate cash balances at our numerous Branches throughout the world.

The investment of our funds also presents difficulties but shareholders may rest assured that their employment to the greatest advantage is receiving the very close attention of your Board.

Economies Effected.

In view of the changed conditions of business our expenses have been receiving extremely close scrutiny and helpful economies in various directions have been and are being given effect to. These economies are being willingly shared by the Society and of its affiliated Companies.

I mention these changes particularly to you as I think it is right that you should know that in these depressed times we are taking every reasonable step to adjust ourselves to a more restricted world trade.

With regard to the amount of our interest earnings you will notice from our Profit and Loss Account that these total £236,000.3s.1d. This figure compares with £253,464. 5s. 8d. the previous year or a decline of £17,464. 3s. 7d. You are all aware of the diminution in interest that has been going on all over the world and in consequence it was not possible to maintain our interest at its former higher figure. This position of our affairs is being given close study and we hope in the course of time for some improvement.

You will notice that after paying the same dividend and the setting up of adequate reserves we are carrying forward slightly more than we brought forward at the beginning of the year.

Efficient Staff.

I think the Society owes a great debt of gratitude to the General Manager and Staff for their very loyal and efficient work. The conduct of an insurance business in these most difficult times is a particularly anxious task and I think the figures before you may be considered satisfactory.

You will be sorry to hear that our Shanghai Manager, Mr. C. M. G. Burnie, who came to the East in the year 1898, will be retiring from our service at the end of this month. Mr. Burnie has done most valuable service for the Society and its affiliated Companies and I am sure you will all join with me in wishing him a long and a very happy retirement.

Since we last met Mr. A. W. Hughes, as you will notice from the Report, has been appointed Inspector of the Society and its affiliated Companies and we feel sure that his initiative and vigour will be helpful to our business in the various parts of the world he visits.

With these remarks I beg to propose the adoption of the Report, Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet as presented.

Sir Henry Pollock in seconding the Chairman's proposal for the adoption of the report said:

I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report and the Revenue Accounts and the Balance Sheet as presented and, as an old shareholder in this Society, which has had such a long and successful career and will shortly be completing its centenary of its existence, I would crave leave to add a few remarks.

Usual Dividend of £2.

In the first place I should like to say that it is very gratifying to shareholders that this Company, in the difficult times through which we have been passing, is able to continue to pay its usual dividend of £2 a share, which amounts to

50% of the paid-up capital of the Company.

Also it is a matter for satisfaction that—our Reinsurance Fund which is an additional Reserve, stands at the large figure of over a million pounds sterling.

Another subject for congratulation, as showing how well our funds are invested, is the fact that in the year 1932 (a year in which the dividends of so many first-rate concerns have shown serious diminution) this Society has collected the sum of £236,000. 2s. 1d. for interest and dividends on our investments against the sum of £253,464. 5s. 8d. in the comparatively prosperous year 1931.

In short, this Company was, for 1932, in the fortunate position of being able to pay well over four-fifths of the amount required to meet the cost of its 1932 dividend, out of the interest on its investments. Surely this is a very sound position.

At the same time it will be noted from our Profit and Loss Accounts that the actual profit made on the 1931 Marine Account and on the Accident Account is satisfactory.

"An Optimist." In regard to the near future, I am bold enough to confess that I am an optimist, and that I have great hopes that the World Economic Conference, at which all the principal Nations of the World will be represented, will mark a turning-point in the slough of depression of the past few years, and that wise measures of international agreement will set the wheels of world trade going again and will improve commodity prices and international exchange conditions, whilst reducing the very heavy burden of unemployment.

Even in the Far East, I seem to discern some hope in the fact that the statesmen and business men of both China and Japan are beginning to realize that it is much wiser economic policy to trade with one another than to incur huge and unproductive war expenditure in fighting against one another.

Before I resume my seat, I desire, on behalf of the shareholders, to express our very hearty thanks to the Board of Directors, the General Manager and the Staff of this Society for the very able and conscientious manner in which they have attended to our interests throughout the difficult year 1932.

The re-election of Mr. J. Owen Hughes and Mr. T. A. Mitchell as directors was proposed by Mr. A. Brearley, seconded by Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, and carried unanimously.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis, were re-elected auditors for a period of twelve months, at a fee of \$3,000 per annum, on the proposal of Mr. W. H. S. Dent, seconded by Mr. L. E. N. Ryan.

The following directors were present:—Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell (Chairman), Mr. C. Blaker, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Mr. T. A. Mitchell, K. S. Morrison and Mr. Paul Lauder (General Manager).

Among the Shareholders present were:—Messrs. J. W. Alabaster, C. Bewley Bird, Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, Mr. A. Brearley, C. Bernard Brown, Hon. Mr. Chau Tau Nin, B. M. C. da Cunha, W. H. S. Dent, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O. B. E., R. A. Dastur, John Fleming, H. C. Gray, Leigh Garner, Ip Ian Chuen, M. H. Ivy, Allen Keith, J. L. McPherson, Sir Henry E. Pollock, Kt. K. C., P. C. Potts James Ormiston, R. C. Resker, V. R. V. Ribeiro, L. E. N. Ryan, J. B. Ross, S. A. Slep, V. F. Soares, M. A. R. Souza, F. W. Stapleton, D. V. Stevenson, R. L. Stewart, Sum Pak Ming, Teo Choon Hian, C. G. N. Tinsot, H. C. B. Way, J. F. Wright, and Ho Kom Tong, O. B. E.

ONE MORE MARTYR TO LOVE

A 19-year-old boy after attending a carnival dance dressed as a pirate, hung himself in front of a train in San Sebastian and was killed instantly.

He was clutching in his hand the photograph of a girl underneath which he had written: "One more martyr to love."—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST

Moderate south or variable winds, cloudy with probably some rain later, is the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory, this morning.

184 DOGS SHOT BY POLICE

Killed When They Cannot Be Captured.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S STATEMENT

Since April 27, a total of 184 dogs have been shot by police officers in Hong Kong and on the mainland. Dogs are only shot when they cannot, or cannot safely, be captured.

This information was given by the Colonial Secretary, (Hon. Mr. W. T. Spothorn) in reply to questions by Sir Henry Pollock in the Legislative Council yesterday.

Pursuant to notice, Sir Henry asked the following questions:

1. What instructions, if any, and when, have been given by the Honourable the Inspector General of Police to the police officers concerned as to the exercise of their discretionary power to shoot in the streets dogs, which are found at large without muzzles?

2. Has the power to shoot dogs without muzzles been restricted to European Officers only?

3. Since the present muzzling Order came into force, how many dogs, found at large without muzzles

(a) On Hong Kong Island, (b) On the mainland,

have been shot by the Police, without warning to their owners?

In how many of such cases were the owners of those dogs ascertainable?

4. Have any symptoms of rabies been found in any of the dogs referred to in Question 3, and, if so, in how many of those dogs?

Government Replies.

The Colonial Secretary's replies were:

1. The Police were instructed on 27.4.33 to carry out the terms of Regulation 21 which states that "...any dog found abroad in the public thoroughfares or elsewhere which is neither muzzled nor on the lead may be captured and detained, or may be shot or otherwise destroyed, by any police officer or by any person authorised by the Inspector General of Police."

It is left to the discretion of the Officer to decide whether he can safely capture a dog alive or whether it must be shot.

2. Yes, except in Sha Tin and Tai Po Districts, New Territories, for a short period April/May while several rabid dogs were at large there. A case of human rabies occurred at Sha Tin, a platelayer on the railway dying of hydrophobia. Special officers who are good "shots" are entrusted with the duty of dog shooting in all cases.

3. Since April 27:

(a) 68 dogs have been shot on the Island, and

(b) 116 on the mainland.

It is quite impossible for the police to ascertain the owners of unmuzzled dogs until these have been captured or shot.

Dogs are only shot when they cannot, or cannot safely, be captured.

4. The carcasses of stray dogs shot by Police Officers are not examined for evidence of rabies.

FOOTBALL IN THE STREET.

Two Boys Fined.

Tsui Wing-hing and Ng Cho, schoolboys, were charged before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistrate's this morning with playing football at Yacht Street, Whitfield.

Sub-Inspector Rogers said that the practice was not only a dangerous one for the boys, but they also damaged the street lamps.

His Worship fined the first defendant \$3. The other, who was absent, had his bail of \$5 estreated.

DASHBOARD BLOCK THEFT.

Chinese Gaoled.

Mak Chung, 38 and unemployed, was this morning sentenced to four months' hard labour and Government Monopolies Department.

Mr. Wynne-Jones, for larceny of a motor car dashboard-clock, was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment by Mr. K. A. Bidehead's presiding magistrate.

Mr. K. A. Bidehead, A.S.P., brought five pages of evidence in the Court that this clock had been removed from his dashboard.

To-Day's Short Story.

THE BIOGRAPHY OF BLADE

By Zona Gale.

BORN in Muscoda. Attended public school in Muscoda. Edited "The Mustoda Republic" for twenty-five years. Blade had written his biography for the county history. He walked to his home and thought: "It's good. Not many men in the hundred millions are much better off."

He passed the house of Herron, his banker, and heard singing. A woman's voice was singing in a foreign tongue. He walked slowly and listened. In the evening sun, light the banker's house, his lawn, his bridal wreath looked luminous. The air thinned and thickened as cloud and wind wove their uneven ovals. The voice sang on. Blade felt abrupt and obscure happiness. His complacency deepened. "Pretty good. Not many men in the hundred millions are much better off."

At his home, about his table, his family gathered: the woman, all her life of Muscoda, whom he had married; their four children, contentious, smelling of toilet soap; his mother, silent and prevalent. His wife, who seemed to be dining only en route to real occupation, said: "Mrs. Herron has asked you and me to hear somebody singing there to-night. I can't go; I'm too tired." Without looking at her, Blade answered, "I'll go to the Herrons," and his mother said that she would go. His wife, going on with her inner routine, lapsed back into speech with, "There isn't a thing in the house for breakfast."

About them countless cloudy influences surged, the melting west, the blue dusk, heightened sounds from the open. The room was a theatre of airy action. Less than this were the steak, the apple pie, the general argument about the pronunciation of "slough," or, as they rose, that soft stateliness in the

throat of his mother. In the redundant din of dishes, in the clamour of their voices, the faint unearthly splendour died to earthly darkness.

In the night gentle, leisurely, already experimenting with darkness, Blade and his mother went forth. The Herron lawn offered odour of sycamore and wild grape. Blade breathed it; felt happiness, and said to his mother:

"That new county history's coming out. Wonder if you'll like what it says about me." Under the porch lights the fallen muscles of her large face lifted.

In the Herron's rooms so regular, so inevitable, the guests gathered. The moquette, the mohair, the mahogany received them. They were business men and their wives, the accustomed, the dutiful, the numb. There was a rote of jest, of retort, of

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At their abrupt, embarrassed hush, Blade saw near the piano the Herrons' niece. Her beautiful shoulders, her body cased in blue, her slow, floating voice invaded him. In her he saw and heard all youth, all that is luminous, all that is different. Upon Blade invisible hands laid hold. With soft violence he was claimed, carried, torn: "What's this?" he felt, and had never felt so much. For the first time his importance, his newspaper, his home, his family, were outdistanced. He saw that this woman lived in another way than his way, and it was her way that he wanted.

At the close of her singing he approached her. She spoke to him casually, and he thought that there must be some mistake. Could she not see that of all those in the room he was to whom she had signalled?

He felt that he was crying, "Where are you? I understand. In God's name, throw me a rope!" Instead he was saying, "You sing like a bird, Miss Herron. Much obliged, I'm sure." When others intervened he waited for a long time by the piano, the stout, smiling man. At length he found his opportunity and said to her, "I used to play second flute myself." But he wondered whether, after all, he could have said this aloud, because she only glanced and smiled, though with that information he had sent her something vast and pleading. He did not have another chance to address her.

Out on the street his mother said, "My dinner didn't set well"; but Blade, in some powerful onslaught of the unknown, made no reply and hurried brutally. He took a blanket and lay on the grass. There was no change in the trees or the frogs of Muscoda. There they were, true to the past. But they were new to Blade, and so were the stars. It was perhaps the seventeen-hundredth night of his life, and yet it was the first. He was feeling, "Say, music! I've always cottoned to it, but look what it's like! Look what it does!" Next door a second-floor window glowed. There Edgerton, dying, lay, expecting to recover. Everyone knew save Edgerton. Blade had been sorry, but now he was seized and shaken by the fact that there was Edgerton, dying and not knowing. With this fact Blade quivered as occasionally toward dawn, he had quivered with remorse or worry. He experienced Edgerton. Then he experienced delight that he himself was not dying. The pang of Miss Herron and her singing returned and returned, powerful, possessing, and at last excluding.

At daybreak he woke. Loose pulsations of light shook him. Was it light or was it song? He sat on his blanket and looked up from the well of his garden to the sky. He thought, "I'm going to take music lessons. I'll go and see Miss Herron to-day; talk with her. I'm going to be a musician." Countless cloudy influences surged round the lawn, where was a theatre of changing light and airy action. For the first time in his life he saw the morning.

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TALLYMAN IN TROUBLE.

Unmanifested Cargo.

Cheng Lo, a tallyman of the s.s. Hatching, this morning appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistrate's charged with importing unmanifested cargo into the Colony.

Revenue Officer Ward of the Government Monopolies Department.

Mr. O. Dabiel, Chief Officer of the s.s. Hatching, stated that the s.s. Hatching, after the ship had left about 11.30, informed him that he had seen a large quantity of unmanifested cargo on board.

His Worship cautioned and discharged the defendant.

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The Biography Of Blade

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At breakfast his passion for spiritual isolation caused suspicion. "You act as if you're going to risk some more money," said his mother. "Better not." And his wife asked acutely, "What woman was there last night?" so that Blade thundered. "Can't I have quiet in my own house?" The children discreetly tittered. With a wave of nostalgia it came to Blade that by his words of thunder he had in some way cut himself off from Miss Herron. In order to get back to that world of Miss Herron, he spoke gently to his wife.

His first act at the office was to request the return of his biography copy from the editor of the county history. Blade said, "I can live mine up a lot." It had come to him that he had written a biography which did not express his life, so rich and so potential. And now the office routine began—routine, but yet extraordinary. A pearly shadow drenched the bare room. Or was it that? You moved the radio a fraction of an inch and you had a new wave-length. Blade had a new wave-length. Nothing proceeded in the old way. The men of the staff of the composing room, he saw them with incredible intensity. John, Lubbock, Mayhew, Platt, in their dirty licking aprons, with rolled gold rings on the little fingers of inky hands swinging from the elbow. Had Blade ever really seen them until now? He felt in some delicious suspension: or was it balance? Exquisitely rested he felt, and as if everything were simple. He said to one or two: "Do you know music is a great thing. For a fact. Wish I'd kept on with second flute that time." He spoke in excitement such that, had they known of a tragedy involving Blade later in the day, they would have remembered. But they did not know of the tragedy.

At eleven o'clock he called the Herrons' house. He waited at the telephone and was rocked on the waves of expectation. A voice came: "Oh, Miss Herron? Oh, Miss Herron left this morning for her home. Who is this calling, please?" Blade mumbled: "Muscodia Republic." Thanks for the item. He groped to the door and stared up and down the street, but she was not passing.

He went at noon to the Muscodia Marble Counter for lunch. The place was clean, the food was good, the women who presided were perfect at their rites. Before the oil-cloth-covered counter Blade sat, and he felt the physical nausea and the shivering of a young animal at night, homeless.

And at night he stayed so long at the office, alone, that Muscodia main street was empty. At his own gate it came to him that he wanted his mother. He was glad that there was a light in her room. He was glad that there was a light in her room. He tapped and sidled toward her, intent on his nameless and infinite loss. Vast and shapeless in her red-and-black checked bath robe, she sat among her plants and bottles and regarded him without change of expression. She commented: "I thought you were going to take me to the picture show to-night." He stood stricken, not by his failure, but by hers. He mumbled and withdrew, and in the passage his wife met him, put her arm about him, whispered, "Nobody loves you."

as I do!" This should have surprised him; but he was not listening. His soul heard, and cried, "What of it?"

In the night he saw Edgerton's window glowing. Blade felt sorry—an impression now, not an emotion. He woke to the sun and said, "Another fine day"—a formula, not a feeling. He went to his office, and the men were pale fellows, inky, dishevelled, remote. He was a one who, expected to be born, is still-born, and becomes aware not of the cradle, but of eternity.

In a few days Blade appeared before Montgomery, the Muscodia band leader, and said:

"Say, I used to play the second flute myself. And I wondered..."

When "one-night stands" came to Muscodia Opera House, Blade sits in the orchestra and plays the second flute. His detached wife and his grown children come to the Opera House plays, and afterward, they ask him why he will deliberately make himself ridiculous by playing in the band. He does not know what to reply and takes refuge in irritability.

In the Muscodia County history Blade's biography, in fine print, stands unread in many little libraries: "Born in Muscodia. Attended public school in Muscodia. Has edited 'The Muscodia Republic' for twenty-five years." To the editor of that history Blade had returned his biography copy without change, and had said:

"I don't know what it was I was going to add. Whatever the item was, it got away from me."

TRANSPORT PROBLEM FOR WORLD CONFERENCE

The agenda outlined by the Commission of Experts for submission to the World Economic Conference contains annotations dealing with transport problems including ship-building and that they disclose mixed opinions.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

The following warship were in port yesterday:—

Basin.—Taman, Otus and Orpheus. South Wall.—Sandwich. East Wall.—Pandora, Proteus, Oslia. North Arm.—Veteran and Witch. West Wall.—Cornwall. Dock.—Perseus, Seamus, and Olympus.

No 8.—Buoy, "Caradoc." Foreign.—U.S.S. Isabel; French Argus.

STEAMERS MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" is due here from Manila at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 31, and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at 6 a.m. on Friday, June 2.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th June, 1933, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, stained, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be subject to sale on the 1st May 1933, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Board of Warships Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged articles are presented.

No Fire Insurance has been effected at Hull at LONDON & Kowloon.

H.K. POST OFFICE.

Decrease In Parcel Post Traffic.

BALANCE OF \$763,843.

The report of the Postmaster General of Hong Kong for last year shows that a heavy decrease in parcel post traffic was experienced during 1932, particularly with China and Great Britain. The disturbed conditions prevailing in the former country, and the increased duties in the latter, were contributory causes.

The air mail to Europe, via Saigon, was opened in August last year, and is being regularly maintained.

The Post Office balance of revenue over expenditure amounted to \$763,843.

The combined total of the year's transactions on money orders and British postal orders shows an increase of about \$7,900 as compared with 1931.

Chinese Section.

During the year the Chinese delivery section handled 7,963,344 ordinary letters, 432,188 other articles and 11,001 postal hong packets as against 6,746,127 ordinary letters, 370,291 other articles and 10,091 postal hong packets in 1931. The registered articles delivered amounted to 169,965, of which 72,743 were from the United States and Canada, and 97,222 from China and other countries, as compared with 207,954 in 1931, a decrease of 37,959.

Radio Office.

The total paid wireless traffic for the year was 378,789 messages of 3,304,763 words, representing decreases of 24,149 messages and 125,989 words as compared with the figures for 1931.

Total number of unpaid messages for the year was 44,248—an increase of 5,934 over the figure for 1931. The total number of unpaid words was 1,075,747—a decrease of 60,814 as compared with the figures for last year.

The net decreases amounted to 18,235 messages, 185,933 words or 4.13% and 4.07% respectively.

HONG KONG TIDES

Time Meridian 120 deg. E (Zone—B); ooh. is midnight, 12h. is noon. Heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to depths, unless preceded by an asterisk (*) when they should be subtracted.

May 26 to June 1, 1933.

Date	High Water	Low Water
	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.
	Times.	Times.
Fri. May 26	09 50 7.1 02 52 8.1	17 15 0.7
Sat. 27	00 16 3.8 03 12 3.3	10 14 7.1 17 59 0.8
Sun. 28	01 05 3.7 03 30 3.5	10 44 7.1 18 45 0.9
Mon. 29	01 58 3.7 03 50 3.6	11 14 7.0 19 33 1.0
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St. Louis19	16	.542
New York18	15	.545
Boston17	20	.459
Cincinnati17	18	.485
Brooklyn15	17	.469
Chicago	.....17	20	.459
Philadelphia	.....15	21	.416

American League.

New York	.....20	11	.645
Washington	.....21	16	.567
Cleveland	.....19	18	.542
Detroit	.....14	20	.437
Chicago	.....17	15	.531
Philadelphia18	14	.562
St. Louis14	23	.378
Boston11	21	.343

FEW ENGLISH BABIES

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Far fewer babies—7,175 fewer to be exact—were born in England and Wales in the last quarter of last year than in the corresponding quarter of the year before.

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